

**BULLETIN FOR TRINITY MARBURG, ST JOHN'S MINDEN,
OUR SAVIOUR LOWOOD.**

4th Sunday after the Epiphany 28th January 2018.

Closed Communion

The A.E.L.C upholds the historical, biblical and Lutheran practice of closed communion. Therefore we ask that only A.E.L.C members come forward for communion.

Mark 1:21-28

Hymns: 355, 239, 156, 159, 289, 440.

Introit: Psalm 111.

P Praise the LORD! I shall give thanks to the LORD with all my heart,

C in the company of upright people and in the congregation.

P The works of the LORD are great.

C They are studied by all who delight in them.

P His work is splendid and majestic,

C and His righteousness endures for ever.

P He has caused His miraculous acts to be remembered.

C The LORD is gracious and compassionate.

P He has given food to those who fear Him.

C He will remember His Covenant for ever.

P He has shown His powerful works to His people

C by giving to them the inheritance of the nations.

P The works of His hands are faithful and just.

C All His Precepts are trustworthy.

P They are firm for ever and ever.

C They have been made in truth and uprightness.

P He has sent redemption to His people. He has ordained His Covenant for ever.

C His name is holy and awesome.

P The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom.

All: All who observe His Precepts have good understanding. His praise endures for ever.

COLLECT: O Lord, Keep Your family the Church continually in the faith that, relying on the hope of Your heavenly grace, we may ever be defended by Your almighty power; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

READINGS:

Old Testament: Deuteronomy 18:15-20.

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 8:1-13.

Gospel: Mark 1: 21-28.

The Grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the Love of God, and the Fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all, AMEN.

The text for our sermon today the 4th Sunday after Epiphany is written in the book of Mark chapter 1:21-28 which was read in the Gospel reading heard before.

21 They went to Capernaum. On the next Sabbath, Jesus went into the synagogue and began to teach. 22 The people were amazed at His teaching. For He was teaching them as one who had authority, and not as the scribes taught. 23 And immediately there was a man in their synagogue with an unclean spirit, and he cried out, 24 “What do we have in common with You, Jesus of Nazareth? Have You come to destroy us? I know who You are, the Holy One of God!”

25 Jesus spoke sharply to him: “Be quiet, and come out of him!”

26 The unclean spirit shook the man violently and with a loud shriek came out of him. 27 The people were all so amazed that they debated with one another: “What is this? This is a new teaching, with authority! He even gives orders to the unclean spirits, and they obey Him.”

28 The news about Him spread quickly everywhere through the surrounding region of Galilee.

Lord God, heavenly Father, sanctify us in your truth. Your Word is truth.
Amen.

Dear friends in Christ,
Peace be with you.

PSALM 111.

A Psalm of Praise to Jehovah.

V. 1. Praise ye the Lord, or, “Hallelujah, praise Jehovah,” the singer celebrating God’s gracious dealings with His people, of which he gives a summary statement. **I will praise the Lord with my whole heart, in the assembly of the upright**, that is, in the intimate circle of believers, who form a company of confidential friends, **and in the congregation**, the true spiritual Israel of all times. **V. 2. The works of the Lord**, both of His providence and of His grace, **are great, sought out of all them that have pleasure therein**, that is, carefully studied by all who desire to understand them more perfectly. **V. 3. His work is honorable and glorious**, literally, “honor and majesty,” to

emphasize the fact that His entire essence finds expression in them; **and His righteousness**, especially as shown in the great work of redemption, **endureth forever**. **V. 4. He hath made His wonderful works to be remembered**, literally, “A remembrance He hath made to His miracles,” setting them before men never to be forgotten; **the Lord is gracious and full of compassion**, His wonders showing in His goodness, love, and mercy. **V. 5. He hath given meat unto them that fear Him**, supplying them richly with food; **He will ever be mindful of His covenant**, the covenant between Israel and Jehovah being typical of that made with all believers in the Word of Grace. **V. 6. He hath showed His people**, the children of Israel, **the power of His works**, His almighty power being manifested in the manner in which He led and guided them, **that He may give them the heritage of the heathen**, as He did at the conquest of Canaan. **V. 7. The works of His hands**, by which He manifests Himself to His people, **are verity and judgment**, truth and justice designating both their source and the manner in which they are performed before men; **all His commandments are sure**, whatever He ordains is trustworthy, dependable, as being intended for the highest benefit of mankind. **V. 8. They stand fast forever and ever**, established by His eternal decree, **and are done in truth and uprightness**, without hypocrisy, with only the highest good of His people in mind. **V. 9. He sent redemption unto His people**, the deliverance from the bondage of Egypt being typical of the great spiritual redemption which was gained by Christ for all men; **He hath commanded His covenant forever**, giving the assurance that the covenant of His mercy should never fail. **Holy and reverend is His name**, His entire essence and all His attributes filling all those who contemplate them with awe. **V. 10. The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom**, the highest and best wisdom, for this world and for the world to come, flowing out of the reverence of God which is grounded in faith; **a good understanding**, a proper appreciation and recognition of the values in life, **have all they that do His commandments**, faithful in their duties according to His Word, the spiritual men being able to have the right judgment in all things. **His praise endureth forever**, that is, everyone who fears the Lord with the reverence which is an outgrowth of faith may rightly be called happy and blessed, since he is in the most intimate relation with his heavenly Father, from whom every blessing flows.

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>Divine Service 4th February [Green]

9am St John's Minden HC

Readings: Psalm 147: 1-11

Old Testament: Isaiah 40: 21-31

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 9:16-27

Gospel: Mark 1:29-39.

5th Sunday after the Epiphany.

BIBLE STUDY BRING AND SHARE.

LSB Hymns: 820, 398, 846, 731, 619, 923.

> Just a reminder to those who have copies of the LSB hymnal to bring them to the Minden Service' to help out with numbers.

>Divine Service 11th February [White.]

9am Our Saviour Lowood HC

Readings : Psalm 50: 1-6

The Transfiguration of our Lord

Old Testament: Exodus 34:29-35

Hymns: 358, 37, 47, 152, 287, 528.

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 4:1-16

Gospel: Mark 9:2-9.

>Divine Service 14th January [Black]

7pm Trinity Marburg HC

Readings: Psalm 51: 1-19

Old Testament: Joel 2:12-19

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 5:20b,-6:10

Gospel: Matthew 6:1-6,16-21.

Ash Wednesday

Hymns: 431, 310, 153, 157, 281, 513.

.>Bible study 4th February Bring and share

> PARISH MEETING RIGHT AFTER SERVICE ON SUNDAY THE 18TH OF FEBRUARY AT MARBURG

> Mid week Bible Study commences on Thursday the 15th of February at 10am at Pastor's house in the nice air conditioning with a bring and share morning tea.

> Anyone wanting information on Catechetical studies for their children please contact Vicar Jake Zabel on the phone number below.

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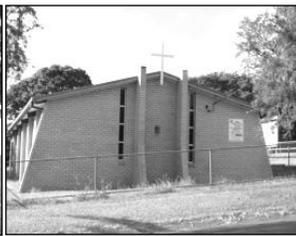
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